

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one pace." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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I WILL TRUST AND NOT BE AFRAID

CLING TO THE ROCK In Time of Storms We Need a Shelter

F. J. Lee, General Overseer.

"The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer."

The above is a statement made by David while he was in hiding from Saul. Doubtless David suffered greatly during his scouting days. He was not seeking revenge against Saul, but only kept a watch on his maneuvers. Saul would have destroyed him immediately at first sight, but God shielded David from his enemy.

David had hidden in caves and sheltered beneath rocks in time of storm and heat so often that he had come to look upon these rocks and caves as special defence stations and places of deliverance for him.

In David's meditation of these places of defence, he seems to have looked away to a greater defence and cried out, "The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer." Doubtless everyone knows the old song, "Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land, a Shelter in the Time of a Storm."

You have read how the Lord spoke to Moses and told him to go up on the mountain and speak to the rock, that water might come forth to save the perishing multitude in the valley. Moses smote the rock and waters gushed forth and the multitude rejoiced and was refreshed even unto life. This no doubt was a type of how Jesus, the rock of ages, was smitten that the teeming millions of inhabitants of this earth might have the water of salvation.

Paul, in speaking of the children of Israel said, "All drank of the same spiritual drink; for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ." This is a plain statement that the Rock referred to is Christ.

David said concerning the Lord "He should have fed them with the finest of wheat; and with honey out of the rock should he have satisfied thee."

Not only does the water of salvation come from this Rock but we may from it be fed; from it we may receive shelter in the time of storms of strife, confusion, misunderstandings etc. Also He is a shield from the heat of persecution and fiery darts of the enemy.

Many Attractions Allure to Destruction

Then why should I not in every trial flee to the Rock that is higher than I? He stands as a covert in every storm. Let the winds blow, the lightning flash and the thunderings peal forth, He is not moved but stands the Rock of ages, even from before the foundation of the world.

"A train was descending the eastern slope of the Alleghany mountains. Just as it was entering a deep cut, the brakes were suddenly set. Passengers looked from the windows to discover the cause. The engineer saw a little girl and her brother playing on the track. Close to the rail was a niche, out of which a piece of rock had been blasted. In an instant the baby was thrust into this niche, and as the cars came thundering by, the passengers holding their breath, heard the clear voice of the little sister, on the other side of the car, ring out: 'Cling close to the rock Johnnie!' And he snuggled in and was saved. In a few hours the cars stopped at a station, where an old man and his son got out. The youth was going to an eastern country to live while the father was to turn back to his home. As the father stood holding to the hand of his boy, tears filled his eyes, and all he could say was: 'Cling close to the Rock, my son!'"

O my dear brethren if there ever was a time that we needed to cling closer to the Rock than at the present time I have never known it. Amidst the rumble, hurry and bustle of the day Satan is introducing many attractions to lead the children of God to the place of destruction as the little boy and girl were led doubtless to the railroad tracks by the attraction of the daisies and different flowers of the wood, but if the little one had not clung to the rock it would have gone down beneath the wheels of the train. If it had ceased clinging it of course would have fallen. Perhaps the fall alone would have crippled it until it never would have walked again.

Go Not Down But Stay On Top
David said that he would walk in

the land of the living. This should be the intent of every child of God. If anyone falls from his steadfastness how can he walk? There are many who have become so crippled because of falling until they are never again able to walk as uprightly as before.

With these closing words let me admonish you that every faint-hearted child of God look up, take a new grip of faith and cling firmly to the Rock of ages. Let Him be your shield, stronghold, hightower and defence in every trial. Let Him be your refreshing, your health and strength, also your spiritual life.

On this Rock the Church of God is built, not on Peter, the little rolling stone, but the strong, true and tried Rock. As the individual who clings to this Rock shall never fall, so also shall not the Church that clings to Him fall. Therefore our hope as a Church, and as an individual is to cling to Him.

In sickness in health,
In poverty and wealth;
In sore temptation—
He's your salvation.

With a firm grip cling,
For it will a blessing bring,
Cling, cling to the blessed Rock,
You will realize then—you're
at the top.

WANTS TO BE USEFUL IN HIS VINEYARD

DALTON, Ga.—I feel constrained to testify through the Evangel for what God has done for me. I can feel His mighty power surging through my soul just now. I have eaten of the Living Bread which comes down from Heaven and I know I will never die. Jesus redeemed me with His precious life Blood and sealed me with His Holy Spirit of promise, and I am determined to hold out to the end. The good Lord added my brother, sister and myself to the Church of God at Dalton, Ga., on Sunday December 4th, and wonderfully blessed our souls. We are the only ones of our family of ten children and a father, who have salvation, so we are praying for the Lord to bring them in. We ask all who read this to join us in prayer for them. We have some very dear friends in Bible School and we trust it will not be many more years before we can go. It will be a blessing to me if I may see this in the Evangel as I have never testified through it. All who see this, ask God to make us useful in His vineyard.—Everett L. Cook.

Good Revival Held At Kingston, N. C.

Kingston, N. C.—I want to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel for the three weeks revival just closed. I thank the Lord for sending Brother E. D. Melton to Kingston to run this meeting. I feel like he has been a great blessing to us. Fourteen were saved, seven sanctified and five received the Holy Ghost. Brother Melton is out in the evangelistic work for the Church of God and would be glad to go anywhere he is needed. His address is Greenville, N. C.

I praise the dear Lord because I am saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and a member of the Church of God. Saints, pray for me that I will live true.—A sister in the Lord, Mary Power.

People Are Becoming Interested

ST. CHARLES, Va.—We have just closed a revival in which some were saved, two or three reclaimed, two received the Holy Ghost and two added to the Church of God. We have no place to hold services except in homes. The people have become interested and are planning for a church house. Pray for us that we may prosper in our undertaking, also that I may receive the Holy Ghost.—Mollie Long.

The Story That Never Grows Old

PAINT LICK, Ky.—I want to praise the good Lord for everything He has been to me in this life. I want to praise Him for saving my soul, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost about three years ago. He set me on the run for Heaven. I thank the Lord for sending Sister Nora Miller to my home to preach. She preached six nights.

I want all the saints to pray that the Lord will send us a preacher to Maison Fork. I have a mother, a husband and two boys who are still in sin. Pray for them to be saved before it is too late, also remember me. I am glad I belong to the great Church of God. I have many hard trials in trying to live this life, but I mean to live for Jesus.—Mrs. Fannie Burchett.

EVERYBODY SEEMS INTERESTED

Letters From The Extreme North To The Extreme South

F. J. Lee, General Overseer.
Brother J. R. Thomas writes: I know that you feel the weight of the indebtedness more than anyone else, however the debt belongs to us all. I am going to do my best to help raise the money. It is our duty to stand by the Church of God and by you, as we placed you in the position.

Brother Thomas states further that he has his church divided into classes and the responsibility of raising this money is on each class leader. Several of these class leaders have sent in the amount due from his class.

I wonder why Brother Thomas' plan would not be good for other churches to adopt? We thank you Brother Thomas for your interest in this.

Brother D. G. Phillips, pastor in Akron, O., writes: I am very much interested and want to see the stars disappear. While we are in a strain, and because of our building campaign I have not written you sooner, but I feel that we will be ready to meet our obligation. I have talked it to the people.

We are glad to hear from you Brother Phillips. I am glad to hear you say that you are talking the drive. I am sure that many churches are in a financial strain, but there is nothing of greater importance than taking care of the orphanage and the publishing business. If it should fail all would fail.

Brother I. H. Marks writes: I notice that some of the churches are responding to the plan of raising \$1.00 per member to meet the indebtedness at headquarters. I think this is fine and am sure that if all will respond God will bless in a wonderful way all over the land. Our people are hard pressed financially but by the help of the good Lord we expect to be there with our part by the first of March.

LORD'S SUPPER OBSERVED

EDGEWOOD, Tex.—I am praising the dear Lord for the service we had here January 15th. We took the Lord's Supper and had feet washing. The Lord blessed and the Holy Ghost worked in a wonderful way.

The Lord also blessed us on the 9th of January. Land was deeded to us on which to build a church and we desire the prayers of every praying saint that we will be blessed with a church house soon. On the 8th we were at Jamestown and the Lord was with us. Brother O. B. Bolton is pastor there as well as at this place. His dear wife's work is appreciated and they are both loved by all. There are just a few of us so don't forget to pray for us that we will stay in the center of the Lord's will.—Your sister in Christ, Minie Torenan, clerk and treasurer.

Great Storms Are Coming, Get Close to God

LENOIR CITY, Tenn.—I want to praise the Lord for His goodness and mercy to me and for the deep settled peace I have in my soul. I truly thank God for the good revival that has just closed at this place. Our pastor, Brother C. H. Prince was in charge of the meeting which lasted eighteen days. There were seventeen saved, ten sanctified, thirteen received the Holy Ghost and seven added to the Church.

On last Sunday night we observed the Lord's Supper and had feet washing. The Lord was in our midst with power; the saints were edified. We are more determined than ever to press on. As we see the dark clouds and hear the rumbling of the thunder, we know the great storm (tribulation) is approaching. He is faithful that has promised to hide us away until the indignation be ever past. I mean to be ready when Jesus comes, and earnestly covet your prayers.—Rosamond Buck.

VICTORY IN MEETING AT CAIRO, GA.

I wish to report victory in a meeting that is being held a few miles from Cairo, Ga. The meeting has been going on two weeks. The writer was there one week and during that time there was one saved, two sanctified and two received the Holy Ghost. Since then one has been saved. One night the writer preached and one was sanctified and one received the Holy Ghost.

I thank the Lord that He has been blessing my efforts for Him and I want to be humble so that He will continue to bless. I want all of the saints to pray for me that I may be just what God would have me be.—Horace Lewis.

LIFE'S VOYAGE What Port Is Your Destination?

The seven seas cover more than two thirds as much area as that of the planets. The ocean is not of impressive nothing, whether we consider the beauty or mystery of it. We who dwell in the mountains that kiss the skies are strangers to the ocean where the billows sing their requiem to the listening stars. The Port:—the first order for the life voyage is the port. No vessel sails without a destination. The warships anchor with sealed orders, but these always reveal the destination. The port for your bark is the aim you have. What is your aim? It is the work of parents and teachers to aid you to discover your port in life. The clue to the port is some aptitude or fondness for something. We call it a "turn." It is God's finger in the soul pointing us to the life-port. Every life is a plan of God. If you sail under God's orders and do what God wishes you to do, you will find your haven. That is why so many grown people are found in confusion. They do not follow the star that guides all wise men to the cradle of Him who is the Light of the world. The noblest aim is service. There is always room for those who will serve their fellows. Do not be a parasite; help instead of hindering the world. Whosoever will be great among you let him be your servant. And whosoever will be chief among you let him be your servant. Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many.

2. The chart:—the chart for the life voyage is God's Book. There are many dangers, but by turning our feet unto these testimonies we avoid them all. "Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his ways? By taking heed thereto according to thy Word." It is not necessary to know all the evil but we should know the good. "This is the way, walk ye in it." A pilot was asked if he knew where the rocks were on the chart. "I know where they are not," he replied. Avoid the snags. Do not wait until

METHODIST ARE INTERESTED

TRAFFORD, Ala.—We are conducting services at different places and the Lord is blessing. The last part of September and the first of October, I believe it was, we ran a meeting near Sibleyville, Ala. In this meeting I think five received the Holy Ghost, some were saved and sanctified and some were reclaimed. Several fine men prayed through to the Lord and are good substantial pillars in the Church of God.

After the above meeting we went to another place and ran a weeks meeting. One was filled with the Holy Ghost. Then we ran a weeks meeting at the Church of God at Coaldale, Ala. One was reclaimed. One young lady remarked that it had caused people to begin reading the Bible, so we trust that this meeting will yet bring forth much fruit.

Recently some of our friends who were members of the Methodist Church and who heard us preach during the revival near Sibleyville, asked us to come into their home and preach. We are doing this once a week and the dear Methodist people who are saved, are going down on their knees and are praying for sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. On Christmas night we had an all night prayer service in Brother Claud Dunnivant's home at Coaldale and one Methodist sister was baptized with the Holy Ghost. Her husband who was also a Methodist member, was sanctified later on. Now they are both members of the Church of God.

Brother Claud Dunnivant is a member of my home church, Trafford, and has had the blessing a little over a year. He is my co-worker and helper and is a great prayer. Pray for us that we will be good ministers of Jesus Christ (1 Tim. 4:6) and that we will never let up until Jesus comes or calls. Glory be to God! We are filled with the Holy Ghost and fire. Matt. 3:11.—Your brother in Christ, W. E. Mates.

A REMINDER

SEVERAL in the Sunday Schools are using the envelopes and soliciting for the Orphanage. We have already sent out several books as premiums.

If there is a Sunday School that was overlooked and did not receive the Orphanage envelopes we wish the Superintendent would notify us at once and we will furnish you with a supply. We are still receiving requests for the soliciting cards, they want to try for the Bible. We have a good supply on hand, will send any individual a card on request.

F. J. Lee.

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We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield. If nothing else, a postal card telling where you are this week.

Help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

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EDITORIALS

God is blessing in the office and the work seems to be moving on with a steady tread.

Brother T. S. Payne of the Bible Training School, is spending the week end with his father who is very old and feeble.

Brother Z. R. Thomas is soon to be off to Jamaica. We wish for him a successful year, in the service of the Lord.

We had several visitors this week from different places. Two of our brethren from Chattanooga, Brother Whittington and Brother Ellis, were up. They gave glowing reports of the work in the Church there. Also our State Overseer tells of the good work in the State of Tennessee.

Isaiah said, "I will trust and not be afraid." Isa. 12:2. This is a most glorious confession for a believer to be able to make. "I will trust in the Lord and not be afraid."

The question is, who will you decide to trust? You will either trust in man, only to be sadly disappointed, or you will decide to trust in riches, which may leave you in a more sad plight. The arm of flesh will fail you. Riches may take wings and fly away. Neither man nor riches is a safe thing to put your trust in. You may say, who shall I trust then? Put your trust in the Lord. There is no reason for fear when we trust Him who is worthy of your best, and the most sincere and confidential trust you can give Him. He never fails His trusting children. No, never. If we have our trust in the Lord, we have no room for fear, for God said He would never leave us nor forsake us, so we can boldly say the Lord is our helper. I will trust and not be afraid.

The Psalmist said, "In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust." Psa. 71:1. Have you placed your trust in the Lord? Have you given Him your confidence? He is worthy of all that you can give Him. Oh what sadness and sorrow has come into the lives of men and women simply because their confidence was sadly misplaced. They trusted in someone who was not worthy of their trust; they placed confidence in a person or thing that was false, unfaithful, untrue, therefore, their confidence was misplaced, and fears and sometimes worse than failures were the result.

If you have been in this sad plight, do not lose hope; do not lose faith in God. He is still true. It should only make you the more ready to place your highest and best confidence in Him who is true to the end. Always bear in mind, "Having loved His own which were in the world, He loved them to the end." John 13:1. He loved them, yes He truly loved them! In spite of all their failures and weakness; in spite of all their fears, He still loved them.

Praise God for One who is true! He is the kind of a friend that you can not find anywhere on this earth, no matter where you go. He is the unfailing One; He is the faithful One; He is the unwavering One; He is the fairest of ten thousand, altogether lovely.

It is very encouraging to us to have One like this, that we can trust. We can go to Him with our burdens, troubles and sorrows. He is our burden bearer and when all of our friends forsake us, the Lord will take us up. The Lord is a friend for all those

Notices and Specials

I am in the market for good second hand books, (but not school books). They must be cheap as I am buying to re-sell.—S. F. Beard Box 2511 Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

While in Miami last week the members of the Church at Coconut Grove notified me that owing to the financial strain they were under at present they were not able to keep their pastor (Brother W. W. Harmon) so he surrendered the work to go into evangelistic work.

We want Brother Harmon to continue in the ministry, for he is very valuable in the work of the Lord.

Anyone desiring a revival would do well to correspond with him, address him 2510 Stewart St., E. Chattanooga, Tenn.

To the Church of God members on the Clarksdale District:

I have been appointed District Pastor of Clarksdale District. If any of you should want to write me, my address is Rt. 1, Box 97, Cleveland, Miss.

There are some churches where all of the members have moved away, except a few, and have no pastor. You may send your dollar on the drive, as I am going to send in part of the amount for this church right away.

If any of the members of Joseph's Chapel read this, who have moved away, please send me your one dollar on the drive. If you have already sent it in notify me, so we will know when we go over the top. Remember we must go over the top.

We have sold the old tabernacle here at Cleveland and are building a new church house. I am sure we have friends in the Clarksdale District who would like to help us. We will appreciate any help.

I ask all of the saints to pray that nothing will block the way. Yours to lost souls.—G. L. Burgess, Rt. 1 Box 97, Cleveland, Miss.

To the ministers and churches in Ga.

This is to let you know that Brother L. M. Rickerson of Atlanta, Ga. has been appointed treasurer for the Mission Board in Georgia. Please take up an offering for mission work and send one half to Brother E. J. Boehmer, Cleveland, Tenn., and the other half to Brother L. H. Rickerson, 958 State St., N. W. Atlanta, Ga. Please look after this for it is badly needed.—J. W. Culpepper, Overseer of Ga.

The Church of God at Thomaston, Ga. would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Magie Spiree and Maggie McKenny. Please communicate with the undersigned.—Viola Starrs 88 K Ave., Thomaston, Ga.

There will be Home Coming day at the Church of God in East Chattanooga the 1st Sunday in March, D. V. We are expecting our State Overseer, Brother Scoggins to be with us, also we want to complete our drive on the one dollar per member proposition for the purpose of paying off the indebtedness of the Church of God as suggested in the Assembly. Now we will be glad for every member of the church to be present on that day, but if you just cannot come, please write us a letter, stating your spirit-

who have been faithful and true to Him, but if your life has been filled with failures and you have broken your promises to Him and have been untrue, the only thing for you to do is to repent, come back and place your trust in the Lord. God will not bless those who are untrue, especially does He require that we be true to the trust committed to us.

I have noticed in my short life, so many people who have no regards for their obligations to man, and who will do things and try to get by with driving hard bargains and such like, but I am sure the Lord is not pleased. Let us be faithful in all our dealings with our fellowman, then God will bless us and we can put our trust in Him.

If we desire praise and thanksgiving to issue from our lives and call forth the same in others, we need to keep our minds upon the things that are lovely and pure and dwell upon the excellent. There are often natural reasons for sadness and fear, but never a time when it is not fitting to praise the Lord for His goodness. A boast of His goodness and His mercy—His care and concern for us, brings gladness to the heart. Looking unto Him gives radiance to the face, reflecting the light of His love.

None of us live to ourselves, but our lives have their effect upon others. If we always keep in mind just what it might mean to others for weal or woe, when cares and burdens are casting their shadows there might in many instances, be great carefulness and more zealous guard of both speech and actions. It each sought more diligently to bear their own burdens and help to lighten others by a spirit of praise, more of God's prophets and shepherds of the flock might thank God at every remembrance of them. Phil. 1:3. With great joy would request be made for them rather than with great heaviness of heart. Rom. 9:2.

ual condition and inclose one dollar for your part on the drive. We will certainly appreciate it and I feel sure the Lord will reward you, if we will all do our part we can soon pay our debts and everyone will feel good about it. I wish to say just a word for the Sunday School in East Chattanooga. I think we have one of the best Sunday Schools in the United States of America. I mentioned about the drive and the Sunday School was ready to put its shoulder to the wheel and help bear the burden, so it has just been three Sundays since we started the drive and the Sunday School has raised over \$40.00 on the debt. Come on, East Chattanooga let us see another star fall. We will look for your first Sunday in March.—E. M. Ellis, Pastor, 2315 N. Chamblain Ave., E. Chattanooga Tenn.

The Church of God will have Home Coming Day at Mt. Olive, near Cleveland, Tennessee Sunday April 1st. All members are invited to attend as we are expecting a great feast on the things the Lord has in store for us and for all them that will call upon His name and believe the good Lord.

Members who do not live at Mt. Olive are invited to come and bring your friends. Everybody is welcome. Dinner will be served on the ground. Good singing and a general feast on the Lord. We expect our State Overseer to be there and other good speakers.

Please remember that this is the time to bring your dollar to help pay off our debt. Bring it if you can and if you cannot come, send it to the clerk.—S. L. Cantrell, Pastor.

We would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Ethel Alexander and Cecil Alexander.—Mrs. George Hayslip, Clerk of Lone Oak church, Route 4, Crockett, Tex.

The Church of God at Dalton, Ga. will have Home Coming Day Easter Sunday. We will expect all the members to come and make it a good day. All members that do not live at Dalton, you are invited to come and enjoy yourself and feast on the good things the Lord has for us.

All members that live in Dalton and those that live away come or send your dollar to pay up our pro rata share on the auditorium, send it to the clerk so that we can have it there on that day as we are expecting to make a special drive for this indebtedness and all collections will be applied to same.

Everybody come and feast on the good things, as we are expecting to have some good preachers, singing prayers and when we have these right in the sight of the Lord He will bless every time. COME! COME! COME!—S. L. Cantrell, Pastor.

Notice to all the churches in Ala.:

The Alabama State Camp Meeting will convene in the large tabernacle at Boaz, July 20 to 29 inclusive. We're expecting the largest attendance and the greatest meeting ever held in this place. We want every preacher to take notice of this date and not begin a meeting that will conflict in anyway with this date. We want you to be present and bring as many of your flock as possible. We are going to be put to a heavy expense to take care of this meeting and ask the pastors to take this matter up with your folks and send in as much contribution as you can for this expense.

Minister's Meeting

We have already held one minister's meeting at Alabama City and found it to be so inspiring and helpful that we believe it wise to hold another such meeting. We have therefore set March 13th and 14 for this meeting at the Summit church near Dora. I want to meet all the preachers that can possibly come to this meeting. Make special effort to be present. We also invite every lay member that can to attend this meeting. You will hear fine preaching. So do not miss this great opportunity.

District Meetings

It is time for the district overseer to arrange for their district meetings. I want every district overseer to hold these meetings. Make it a home coming occasion, have dinner on the ground and let's boost the work. This is the Lord's business. I will attend every one possible. Some of the churches are not reporting, and quite a number of preachers are not reporting. This is about the only means I have of keeping in touch with you so if you are not reporting and I should fail to find your place this year, don't lay the fault to your overseer. When a man fails to breathe we call him dead. So if you fail to report, we conclude you are dead spiritually speaking. If you have nothing to report, it will only cost you a stamp to write "nothing to report." Don't treat this with indifference for it is important if you expect to be recognized as a church or minister. Your overseer is keeping right up with this and he knows every month who is failing. I am very zealous for the Church and for your welfare too so let's go over the top for Alabama this year. I expect to visit every church in Alabama this year and be in every way possible.—Your humble servant, S. J. Heath, Overseer.

Healed of Spasms

BELMONT, N. C.—I want to praise God this morning for salvation. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost which abides just now. Our baby was awfully sick a few days ago—having spasms and got so bad that she did not know anything at all. My wife and I prayed for her, but did not get victory, but after she began to get better she seemed to be possessed with a demon. We could not hold her in our arms, she would tear our hands and roll and kick and pull her hair and looked wild out of her eyes, which was real exciting. My wife punished her and said it was just a mad fit, but punishing did not do any good. I went out and talked to God and begged Him to heal her, so I promised the Lord if He would heal her I would write to the Evangel, and she did not seem like the same baby. I give God all the praise for it. Pray for us.—Stanley Miller and wife.

CORRECTION

Mrs. P. V. Browning of Ensley, Ala. states that the Xmas. box, also \$5.00 which was placed in the Evangel in her name should have been from "Ensley Church." Also Lacy Phillips of Crab Orchard, Tenn. states that the money sent in by her should have been listed "from the S. S. at that place."

It is a very difficult matter sometimes to tell just who is to be given credit for orphanage money, whether the Church, S. S. or the sender.

Expecting Great Year For Church at Logan

LOGAN, W. Va.—Another successful revival has just closed at Logan. Brother D. P. Barnett of Louisville, Ky., came here Dec. 4th and started a revival which lasted six weeks.

Brother Tony Ford of Lawrenceville, Ill., joined us the last three weeks of the meeting. They were surely at their best. Their messages were inspiring, backed up by the power of God and enjoyed by all, both saint and sinner. Everybody wants them again this year. The people said it was the best revival they have had since they have been in the new church.

We got some real material for the Church in this meeting. Some came back home that had gone away a few years ago, one preacher in the number. God's people just can't stay away from home (The Church of God). There were forty-two reclaimed and converted, fifteen sanctified, thirteen filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-two added to the Church and ten followed the Lord in water baptism. We are greatly encouraged at Logan.

We held our regular conference meeting on the night of Jan. 23d. It was conducted by Brother Robert Hill, our district pastor. The Lord was there and is blessing him in his district work. Brother Hill has a pastor for all the churches on the district and seems to be making every sacrifice possible for the work. Our Sunday School is wonderful. Brother John Winters is our superintendent. He is kind and loving to the children. We are looking for this year to be one of the greatest years for the Church of God that Logan has ever had. We feel sure that by the last of April we will have our one dollar from each member as the Assembly requested. Brother Barnett is doing evangelistic work and he knows how to be a blessing to the Church and the pastor both spiritually and financially. Anyone wanting a good man for a meeting, would do well to get him if you can. His address is 4453 Park Blvd., Louisville Ky. Pray for us.—E. O. Sells, pastor.

WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS THE JOY

SOMERSET, Pa.—I thank God that I am saved, sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost. I want to thank God for His wonderful healing power. I promised God if He would heal me of indigestion, I would testify thru the Evangel. Praise His name!

On Aug. 30th, 1927 I was carried to a hospital after being attacked with acute indigestion and almost dying. While in that institution, I promised God if He would spare my life, I would give up my sinful ways and serve Him. He spared me, but after I went back home I forgot my promise to God and I had been at home only two weeks when I was attacked again to remind me of my promise to the Lord. He healed me again, then I made up my mind I would keep my promise and today I am so full of love and gladness that words cannot express it all.

I thank God for sending Brother H. W. Potent and wife, also Sister Flowers to this town to hold a revival. They came here in July 1927 and started a meeting in a tent but thank the Lord, today we have a church building where we can worship in Jesus' name. The revival meeting here has been going on since the last of

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TEXAS BOOMING

We are now in the middle of a revival in Electra, Texas. God is being manifested, Christ glorified, the Holy Ghost honored and the Church edified. The presence of our God is here and many souls are being made to rejoice in a Savior's love.

Our hearts have been made glad to see the God of Heaven prove Himself here. There have been "ten" to receive the "Holy Ghost" and the meeting has just now started. This is the third week and God is still working. I can say as David, "The Lord thinketh on me (us)."

We are looking for and expecting great things, in the name of our Christ, in Texas this year. We as a church and as individuals, love our overseer and are expecting the God of Heaven to move the same, in the state of Texas and make this one of the greatest years Texas has ever witnessed. We know we have had some good times in the past, but we are looking forward for better times in the future. Pray for us that God will continue to bless.—Humbly your brother.—J. M. Cockerell.

Greatest Pleasure In Serving God

BUHL, Ala.—I am so thankful to God for being saved, sanctified and the Comforter abides today. The greatest pleasure I have is serving God in the beauty of holiness, in the fear of the true and living God.

Our pastor and his wife were with us last week end. He surely did preach three real sermons under the power of God by the leading of the Holy Ghost. The power of God fell so strong that two of the brethren fell on the floor. The power of God that raised Jesus from the tomb is wonderful. I feel it just now. Praise the Lord! We need power every day, don't we?

Sister Gertrude Newman of Kennedy, Ala. was with us too. On Sunday night she made a splendid talk. Her subject was "We are responsible to God for time." Her talk was interesting and enjoyable too. I believe God has His hand over her and is going to make her a wonderful preacher. We are always glad to have visitors with us.

We have a very good Sunday School, not many in attendance but God is working. We see and feel it too. One man who is serving a sentence on the county road, asked, with tears in his eyes, for the people to pray for him. I humbly ask each one who reads this to pray for God to save him.

We need all the workers we can get to help us win the great fight against sin. Satan is trying to win our hand, but I say God is more than a match for him. The Word says, "Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Matt. 16:18. Praise God, I believe it is so, do you?

Come on, praying people, let us do our very best this year (1928) to win souls for God. Listen, let us watch our step closer for that which a man soweth, that he shall also reap. May we sow plenty of good seed seasoned with humble prayer. God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. Quite a few of our people want the Holy Ghost, especially my father. Please pray in their behalf. I realize that "ye" shall receive power after the Holy Ghost has come upon you. Oh how thankful we should be for the power.

Satan has always hated the way of holiness, but according to Heb. 12:14, I believe it is the only way. Isa. 35:8 tells us what the way shall be called. I am pleased with the way and the name too, are you?

Dear reader, if you are not in the way, may I advise you to get in it at the earliest date possible. We need you in the service of the Lord. Let us stand for the Lord with our means and give Him the very best of service. The victory will be ours after a while. We have a good pastor at Buhl. I believe the people love him.

May I say in conclusion to every reader? stay humble, stand true and keep praying for God to bring people in the Church by the way of holiness.—Yours in love, His thru grace, Elder Hodo.

Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.

Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.—Rom. 13:7-8.

July 1927 and it looks now as if it will continue until July 1928. Sister Kalb is in charge and she is a wonderful worker for the Lord, is always willing and ready to lend a helping hand to the needy.

I realize that there are a few good people in this world yet, for when the weather has permitted, people have walked as far as eight miles one way to get to this meeting to seek the Lord, proving they were hungry for spiritual food. I want everyone who knows the worth of prayer to pray for me that I may be a true follower of Jesus.—Geo. H. Sabin.

LIFE'S VOYAGE

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historic clime. But a divine hand is at the helm. A divine clock marks out the way. A divine mind knows where the harbor is. Christ is the Pilot. Take Him on today. The beaches of time are lined with the skeletons of failure, all because they did not put their case in the Pilot's hand. Don't depend on your own strength or wisdom, put your case in the Pilot's (Jesus) hand, He'll carry you safely through.

TWO GET BLESSING AT LEIGHTON, KY.

LEIGHTON, Ky.—Jesus is all and all to us. We have nothing else to live for except to prepare ourselves for the coming of the King of kings, and Lord of lords. Sometimes while going about the store, working or waiting on someone I feel like giving vent to my Lord and shouting aloud "Glory to God!" Once I did not know my Savior, but I'm glad to say I now know Him, and could not get along without Him. I have some good friends in this world—pals that I can count on through thick and thin, but for position, money and several other things these earthly friends will turn me down. After they get money, that will fix our friendship forever. If they speak to me, it will hardly be loud enough to hear, but thank God I have found one friend that sticketh closer than a brother. He is greater than all. This friend is "Jesus." He will answer under a cliff, in my home, in my store, in the office, in the bed in a big gathering and in service He will answer. Just any old place, if you do your part and keep your wire connected and repaired, when it needs it, and your experience polished up. If it gets rusty and dusty as my Bible was once in life you should be renewed and cleaned up. When you get saved it will put you to reading and praying for an understanding. If you keep praying this will lead to a closer experience with the Lord. We, the live members of the Church of God really think we have the right pastor for to make us grow. We do not like skimmed milk, but want strong meat. Our pastor, S. A. Wilson has the goods direct from God's throne. He is also very humble and good.

We, as children of God should be very careful to keep out all jealous spirits, if you tolerate one very long it will gather more and you will have to pray much to get rid of it, and I want to say, you will not get a blessing while this thing remains in you so do not let it come in, in the first place. Let us not watch the other brother, just keep self straight and this is certainly a good job, by so doing it will not conflict with others. This is pleasing to the Lord.

I do believe in brethren and sisters living this thing to the letter, and if they profess it and do not live it I will hold their feet to the fire. If I do not live it, I will thank any brother or sister to tell me. I will get right if it takes my head off. We should not look back either, for this will make some sinner disbelieve and probably cause him to be lost. Say, live the thing, talk it, preach it, sing it, if you have not been born again like Jesus told Nicodemus, it takes this birth to fix you up. If the devils would come out of the people as the evil spirits were cast out of a man in the tombs they would realize where they stand. All who read this, please pray for me.—C. B. Stevens.

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Press On In The Master's Work

Dear Evangel readers, I am thanking the Lord this morning for the grand privilege of being in Bible School this term. I don't feel a bit sorry that I am here, but feel a little embarrassed because I didn't get to come earlier. I surely am persuaded to believe that this is the best place in the world for every boy and girl to prepare themselves for the Lord's work. If you feel the call to do something for the Lord, you had better press it closer to your heart, get your shoulders to the wheel and push this thing to the front.

You might say, "I would like to do something for the dear Lord, but I am not prepared in any way. I can't talk before the public, can't understand what I write and can't spell or sing." Listen brother and sister, you don't have to sit in the rocking chair on account of this, and feel unworthy all your life, in the sight of the Lord. I believe that is why the Church of God has put forth a Bible School, not just for those who know the Scriptures from lid to lid, to learn how to sing, and not just for those coming to have a good time. You might ask the question, then who is it for? It is for those who are called out in the Lord's field to labor for the Master and who are unprepared for the job. There never has been a time when the Lord needed laborers who are prepared and able to control the work as now. Our teachers, Brother Payne and Brother Walker, are real good to us. They are always willing to help us.

May the Lord bless you.—A student, Reinhold Klautt, Beulah, N. Dak.

The King's Highway

I feel like sounding a note of praise to my King who is worthy of all praise. I am glad for the opportunity to be in Bible School. Words will never express the happy moments I have spent in this sacred place with God's children.

Above all I can report victory in my soul and feel like traveling on in the King's Highway. My desire is to be able to make a home-run and reach the home base safely. I am glad because it is a clean way. Isa. 35:8, and nothing unclean shall pass over it, but the redeemed of the Lord only shall walk there. Many precious souls have started in the way of Holiness but failed to count the cost and when the testing time came, they failed to look to Jesus and got on a detour which lead them down to defeat. There is a way that seemeth right unto man, but the end thereof is death.

There are many spirits in the world today, trying to deceive the children of God. The devil comes as a very

beautiful angel of light sometimes and we must be wise lest perchance we be deceived. Jesus said, "My sheep know my voice and a stranger will they not follow." God's true children know their Master's voice and will not listen to the voice of a stranger. When these voices begin to whisper to us and try to lead us off the main road, let us not turn to the left, or to the right, but let us look up to Him who has said, "I am the way, the truth and life."

The Christian's path is not strewn with sunshine and roses all the way, but very frequently the briars and thorns will prick. We will have trials and tests, but the reward will be all the sweeter when the final battle is won. Let us therefore run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. I am glad for the refuge I have in Jesus. From the ends of the earth will I cry unto thee; when my heart is overwhelmed, lead me to the rock that is higher than I. The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous runneth into it and are safe.—Mrs. A. L. Smith, Boynton, Pa.

Preparing For The Service of God

Dear Evangel readers, this is my first time this year to write to the paper as a Bible Student, but I am back again in school, trying to prepare myself for the service of the Lord. God is blessing us quite a great deal.

There are about twice as many here now as there were this time last year. Everyone seems to be doing well and I hope there will be a great many more here next year. I believe everyone will do what they can to bring someone with them. With hopes for the success of the school next year, if the Lord tarries, I am yours for Him, L. E. Tharp.

Bible School As One Large Family

I will try to express my appreciation of the Bible Training School, and what it is to me. I can say, it is good to be here. Words can't express what the school has meant to me. We have been here now about four months. The Lord has blessed us in many ways.

We are from the North, South, East and West; once were strangers, but are now as one great family. We have fifty-one students enrolled and nearly all of them have the Holy Ghost. When we start to pray the devil has to flee and the Lord sends His blessings upon us. We rejoice and have big times in the Lord. Bless His name! Surely this is a good place to be.

Anyone who wants to learn more

about God's Word, would do well to come to the Church of God Bible Training School. Our teachers, Brother Payne and Brother Walker, are fine. I believe they are doing their best to help us learn.

It won't be long until school will be out and we will have to part, perhaps never to meet again on earth. It will be sad to see the boys and girls leave, but I am glad we have the promise of meeting on the other shore, so let us do our best for the Lord while we have time and are healthy and strong. May the Lord be with all of you for evermore.—Your true sister, Olive Deneau, Choptank, Md.

The Great Bible School

The Bible School is the best place to be.

Where God does bless as you may see, We shout and sing, His praises swell, And the blessings we get no tongue can tell.

As we meet in the schoolroom day after day, There's a joy that drives our sadness away;

It fills our hearts with a longing to be, A soul-worker for Jesus happy and free.

We have students from the North, South, East and West, Who are trying each day to do their best.

To become a great worker in the harvest field, And gather the grain that the harvest may yield.

Soon we will have to say goodbye, To our fellow-students with a sigh; But then it makes us glad within our hearts,

To think of the time when we will never have to part.

So we, with a smile, will gladly bear, Any burden for Jesus anytime, anywhere;

Until He calls us to our home above, Where all will be joy, peace, and love. A student, Lois McWhorter, 720 Ponders Ave., Atlanta, Ga.

By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them

"Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity." Matt. 7:20-23.

The only ones who have the promise of entering Heaven are the ones who do the will of the Father which is in Heaven. The will of God, the Father, is nothing impossible for His children to do. He will not put a yoke too heavy on us to bear. There are many who say Lord, Lord, and do not His will. Some say Lord, Lord, and love not their neighbors, wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. If your fruit is not good, it is not of God; if it is anning fruit, it is not of God. 1 John 3:10 says, "In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: Whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother."

Many say Lord, Lord, but hate their brother. Is this the will of the Father? No, as the song goes, to do His will, we should be free from all ill. Is a robber doing the will of the Father? No. Yet ye say Lord, Lord, and rob God. But ye say, wherein have we robbed God? In tithes and offerings. Some say, I just can't pay tithes, but I have done many other wonderful things for God. Well, you might have a form of godliness, but are you doing the will of the Father which is in Heaven? There are folks who profess Him and say, Lord, Lord, but their hearts are far from Him. God will profess unto them, I never knew you, ye that work iniquity.

If ye say, Lord, Lord and do His will you will be standing for the whole Bible rightly divided. You may say, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? You may have done all this and many other showy things, but have failed to do the will of the Father, if you have sin and iniquity harbored in your heart. You can go to church, shout a dry shout, dance and imitate talking in tongues, yet iniquity abounds in your heart. If envy, strife, hatred and malice are your fruits, ye are manifesting your father, the devil. We should let our walk and talk, everything we do, manifest which master we are serving. Ye shall know them by their fruits.

Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? You have to measure up to all. You cannot be of the world six days in the week and for God one day. You will have to be out and out for God three hundred and sixty-five days in the year and doing unto others as ye would have others do to you, for the Word says, "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets."

It does not mean for you to be backbiting and trying to devour each other, always in malice and strife. Re-

GOD THE SAME EVERYWHERE

On Dec. 10th Brother Dewey Bozeman and sister, husband and I went to Cohay Camps and held a weeks meeting. The enemy worked hard and so did we. It was raining most of the time, but the crowds came every night and the ladies met every afternoon for prayer meeting. The devil howled, but the dear Lord gave the victory. Glory and honor be to His name!

During this meeting, the great healing power of God was manifested. One was saved and sanctified and one was filled with the Holy Ghost. We find the Lord blesses the same everywhere. Everyone seemed to be encouraged to press on and begged us to stay longer and we were reluctant to leave this place. Brother Bozeman is pastor of the little flock at Cohay Camps and the saints all seem to dearly love him. He acquainted the members with the dollar per member plan and everyone seemed to be interested. We hope to see this work moving on. We love the great Church of God. Pray for me.—Mrs. C. C. Floyd, Estes Mill, Miss.

The Lord Present To Honor His Word

BERTHOLD, N. Dak.—I can praise the Lord today for salvation full and free, which is for young as well as old. I am twelve years old. I am so glad because I not only am saved, but sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost.

The Lord is blessing us here in North Dakota in a wonderful way. We are having meetings in a school house and our dear Sister Josephine Walker is giving out the Word. The Lord is present in these services to bless and honor His Word. Praise His name! Pray for me that I will stay humble at Jesus' feet.—Kleona Johnson.

Keep Your Promise To God

GRAND LEDGE, Mich.—I want to try to tell the world what the Lord is to me, however it is unspeakable. Over a year ago the dear Lord saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost, and also gave me light on Divine Healing. I've not taken or given the children any medicine since the Lord told me to put it down. I am still trusting Him with my body and soul. I can praise Him for the victory I have this morning. He gave us so many promises. I promised the Lord if He would heal my baby I would testify of it through the Evangel, so if the Lord will keep His promises I am going to keep mine. The baby is all right now. I give the Lord all the glory. Pray for me that the Lord will have His way with me, because I want to do whatever He would have me do.—Mrs. Eva Wright, 916 Jenne St.

member you cannot hide your fruit and you will either bear good or bad fruit. You cannot take rotten, faulty fruit and sell it. The demands are for good, sound fruit, then why try to pass bad fruit off for God? God demands perfect fruit, for the Word says, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." Matt. 5:48. Perfect means 100%. We should be very careful about even our conversation. It should be holy and we should be sanctified holy, both soul and body, baptized with the Holy Ghost and standing for divine healing. God wants a high standard so let's stand 100% for true holiness. We should realize that the battle is for all of us to fight for the cause, not just the few at Cleveland. We should pray for each other. I can say that every one has my prayers every day and I desire all to pray for me.—Mrs. Allie Latham, Friendship, Tenn., Route 5.

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WHOLE-HEARTED OR HALF-HEARTED-WHICH?

God made the statement to Adam: "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground." This was God's thought, not only for Adam, but for his posterity; He made no exceptions so far as we know. Centuries later the apostle declared that "if any would not work, neither should he eat."

Work suggests effort. There are degrees in, or grades of effort. In feeble, half-hearted effort there is more or less action; and since it is not altogether passive, it indicates a desire to accomplish something, but it never gets very far. There is another degree, or grade, which wades through quagmires of discouragement and scales mountain peaks of obstacles, counts no sacrifice too great which will bring within reach the desired goal. This is **supreme effort**.

Behind all effort there is a will; either one's own or that of another. We who work, work willingly or under compulsion. The willing workers, of course, are the more respected. Nobody has much regard for the man or woman who works under guard.

In the kingdom of God there is no place for a person who hasn't a desire to work—a lazy somebody. God never conscripts men or women into His army of laborers. He simply displays before our vision the great need. There 'tis; the fields are white; the laborers are few; it will mean arduous work for those who enlist; it will mean a wholesale stripping of all hindrances to quick and determined action; it will be a fight to the finish. Who will volunteer? "Who will go for us?" saith the Lord. God will not interfere with your will or mine. He will have no slave in His service—except "love slaves," who prompted by the holy passion, vow eternal allegiance.

The half-hearted worker tires quickly. He does not give the task before him all of his attention because his interests are divided; something else holds a possession in his heart, and while his mind wanders to that heart-calling, the Master's work is neglected. He cannot concentrate on one for thinking of the other, hence he makes little headway, and he finds little pleasure in his work.

The whole-souled laborer has one aim—to serve faithfully and well, in the corner assigned him, the Master he loves. He has divested himself of every claim to his life opposed to God's will concerning him. There are no "outside interests." All legitimate desires and ambitions take their rightful place in his heart, bowing in acknowledgment that loyalty to God—with all that this may mean in his life—occupies the honor seat.

A story is told of Napoleon Bonaparte and a drummer boy. The great general was facing defeat. He ordered the drummer boy to beat a retreat. "Monsieur," came the reply, "I know no retreat; I know only a charge." "Then, beat a charge!" A charge it was; the men caught the spirit, and the drummer boy sent the French army to victory, because he "knew no retreat." When the will of the whole-souled worker is linked with God's omnipotence, he knows no retreat, no defeat; he knows the charge and certain victory.

When I was a child living in the country, there would sometimes sound an alarm, "Fire in the timber!" My, but there was quick action among the neighbors. Whatever task they were engaged in was promptly put aside. For the time being they forgot everything to answer the call of the woodland; they were whole-souled in their efforts to save the lives of their friends—Old Hickory, Poplar, Cedar, Oak, Chestnut, and the rest of them. Did they sit down and spend a day or so debating the destructive tendency of fire? Or pass resolutions setting forth their attitude toward this invasion? Indeed, No! every minute counted; not one was wasted. Every man went to work—half-heartedly? Stopping at in-

Applied The Evangel—HEALED

GAINESVILLE, Fla.—I praise the Lord for His power to heal. I do thank and praise God for His many, many blessings unto me. I am so glad that I am really and truly saved, sanctified and baptized with the sweet Holy Ghost and that His children can trust Him with their bodies, as well as their souls.

A few weeks past one evening, I was taken with a congestive chill, which lasted for several hours. My husband prayed for me, but I did not seem to get much relief, then a few nights later I was taken with a more severe one and was too sick to pray or care much what happened. My husband continued to pray for me, but I got no relief.

I asked him to get the Evangel and place on me and ask God to heal me and I would testify through the Evangel of it, so in a few minutes I was asleep and awoke the next morning feeling fine. Pray for me that I may ever stay under the Blood and filled with His Spirit, also that my husband might receive the Holy Ghost.—Vivie A. Andren, 1161 E. University Ave.

tervals to return to the plow? Hardly. Fire-fighting is a "whole-soul" proposition. If John Jones saved more trees than John Smith, did Smith feel envious, or jealous of his success? He was not so foolish as that, since it was Smith's work that Jones was doing, as well as his own; it was Smith's interests, as well as his own, that Jones was trying to protect. And when Jones was putting his whole soul into service for others—his neighbors—naturally such a soul will not be puffed up by success. These men were united against a common foe to save a common interest. How the work was done, or by whom, did not in the least matter.

So in the kingdom of God. His servants are arrayed against a common enemy—sin—to snatch as "brands from eternal burning" souls for whom Christ died. In this day when sin—even atheism itself—blatantly marches into our land, our schools, into the very hearts of our friends, shall we only give a sigh of regret, remark that "it's too bad"? Or shall we answer the invader's challenge by picking up the weapons of our warfare, "which are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds; casting down imaginations (reasonings) and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God"? 2 Cor. 4:10. There is no time or place for pity, jealousies, envyings, differences. There is work to be done, young men, young women; and young blood—the strength, energy, enthusiasm of youth—your Master has need of today. When the King of your heart is the object of contemptuous and blasphemous placards, such as "Down with the Christ," where is your patriotism? When the Lamb slain for your sin is maligned by the forces of corrupt minds, do you resent the slander and resolve to make it up to Him by loving and serving Him with your "whole soul"? When we review the armies mobilized to put down the cause of our Christ, do we quail before them as the ten half-hearted spies who brought the report that Canaan was indeed a good land, but such "grasshoppers" as they could not win out against the giant residents? No! We will be "whole-hearted" Joshua and Caleb, and we shall conquer under the leadership of the "Lion of the tribe of Judah."—E. B. K.—In "Christ's Embassadors."

MANY HUNGRY HEARTS

DUGSPUR, Va.—I feel led to write to the dear little paper which I love so well. It is food to my soul and this holiness way is exactly in accordance with my belief. I love this way. I am so glad the Lord showed me the light on the Church of God. Well do I remember the first time I heard it preached. I never did want to go anywhere so badly as to hear of this good way, for it was the Spirit that led me. I went praying for a blessing and I surely did get it. I never had heard such sweet singing before and when they began to pray, the power struck me. O how I wanted to shout praises to my God. Right then and there this way was implanted in my heart. I have had persecutions and have been falsely accused, but glory to God, I see now they were just to try me. I have been made to see God wants a tried people and when we start in this good way, persecutions surely come thick and fast.

These persecutions make us right our wrongs and love our enemies. I have been wonderfully saved and am seeking for the full blessing. I read of so many receiving the blessing that it makes me believe it is for me also. I do not get to go to church often as we live so far away, and no way much to get there.

I ask everyone who reads this to pray for me that I may receive the blessing and that God will hasten the time and build the church which He showed me would be built near by this place. It seems to me if we could have a good revival I would be willing to sacrifice anything to see it held. I covet your prayers.—A friend.

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JESUP, Ga.—I want to write a little testimony this morning and tell of the physician I use and how He can hear and answer prayer. In the summer when there was so much typhoid all around, my little girl took the fever. I gave everything I thought would do her any good, but she had fever two days and nights, so it looked as if I had done all I could, so at one time when she was asleep and the fever burning so, I got down, prayed and asked the Lord to heal her. I also promised Him if He would heal her that I would testify of it thru the paper, so in about an hour she awoke and all the fever was gone, and it has never come back. He can heal all manner of diseases. I am a member of the Baptist church, but I surely do love the Church of God. I ask all to pray for me that I may get closer to the Lord and always do His will.—Mrs. H. L. White.

Great Responsibility Rests Upon Parents

WILCOX, Fla.—When I returned from the Assembly in 1926 my little girl had some sores broke out on her face and neck which grew worse, and later she was also afflicted with boils. I fasted nearly three days; prayed and had others to pray. She was afflicted for about ten months and I promised the Lord if He would heal her I would testify through the Evangel. Thank God, she is now healed, for which I praise Him.

There is something peculiar about the Evangel. One brother said in a testimony that the Evangel carried power with it, and I thought "It is the power that carries the Evangel." Regardless of which statement is correct, the paper and power goes together, especially when we obey the Lord, as He works thru the Evangel and wants to continue to work.

My little girl had the sore eyes in the summer and while in prayer for her, the Lord showed me my failure to chasten and correct her. I promised to do better along this line if He would heal her.

I feel the need of being more strict with her, for there is a great responsibility in bringing up children, so I desire the prayers of the saints that I may succeed in bringing mine up as she should be. May the Lord bless His church in all places.

My little girl had measles also, and got along well, though when she would be suffering the worst she would call for the Evangel to be laid on her, and for prayer.

I was suffering last summer of a pain about my right shoulder. I called the saints to pray for me and the Lord healed me of it. I feel the need of more victory. Pray that I may gain perfect victory in healing and spiritual progress.

D. F. Baldree.

Doesn't Use Medicine

MAYO, Fla.—I want to sound a note of praise to my great Redeemer. I want to say that over six years ago God spoke peace to my soul, five months later He sanctified and filled me with the sweet Holy Ghost, which sweetly abides tonight and how I praise Him for the power of the Holy Ghost that keeps us sweet in our souls in this evil day. I praise Him for His great healing power. I have trusted God for healing for six years and I find in Jesus all I need. Two years ago I was afflicted with something that several called leprosy and I suffered much for five months. I wrote to Brother L. G. Rouse for prayer and he sent me an anointed handkerchief and I was healed. Many times He has healed my body and my family. Not a dose of medicine has been used in our home in over four years.—Mrs. J. T. McClain.

OBITUARIES

RUSSELL

On the 21st of Nov. 1927 the death angel came into our midst and took from us our dear superintendent, Sister Catherine Russell. She was greatly loved by the whole Church and outsiders as well. She was a faithful superintendent of the Sunday School and when she was able you could always see her occupying her place on Sunday morning. She was a very good singer and we can truly say that our loss is great, but it is Heaven's gain. She was faithful until death.

She also had wonderful faith in divine healing and she maintained that faith until death. Some of her last words were, "Oh look at the band of angels." She also said to me in her very last hours, "Dear brother, I am on my way to the Canaan Land and I wouldn't take anything for my journey now." She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, two sisters, a few brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

How sad the blessed memory Of those we dearly love, But oh the happy meeting Around the throne above.—One who loved her, Wm. R. Franks, pastor, Cooper's Town, Abaco.

SHERRILL

On the evening of Dec. 19, 1927 at six o'clock God called into His fold one of the sweetest characters ever known. She was born at Mayland, Tenn. March 15, 1910 and was called Ruby Lee Welch by her Christian parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Welch. At the age of fourteen she was converted and joined the Church of God, living a true Christian life ever since. From an infant she was a sweet, kind, truthful and obedient child and loved by all who knew her.

On Sept. 4, 1927 she was married to Ray Sherrill, an industrious, well respected Christian gentleman belonging to the Church of God. They lived happily together for a little over three months when the terrible shock came.

Mr. Sherrill had some traps in the woods about two miles from their home and she went with him to see about them. She took the loaded shotgun to hold while he set a trap some twelve or fifteen feet below her. She dropped the gun and it fired, throwing the entire load of shot into her hip. Mr. Sherrill ran to find her face pale and her body bleeding from head to foot, but still standing. He picked her up and ran as fast as he could toward home but the mountain side was so rough and there being no road to travel, he became exhausted and was forced to leave her on the ground alone, and go for help to get her in.

She was carried to Chamberlain Memorial Hospital the following day where an x-ray picture showed ninety shot scattered through her body. Her pain for eight days was almost beyond human endurance. She was without sleep, but her mind was always on God. She prayed, sang and talked to those by her bedside day and night, asking that they promise to meet her in Heaven. Just before the end, she said, "Be still, I see Jesus coming." The last words from her dying lips that could be understood were, "I'll be under the tree of life." She was sixteen years, nine months and four days old when the end came and leaves a father, mother, husband, three brothers, one sister and the entire community to mourn her loss. The funeral service was conducted here at the Church of God, by our pastor, Brother G. M. Green and the body was laid to rest in the Haleys Grove Cemetery to await the resurrection. Gone, but not forgotten.

From this world of care and pain, To a home of light eternal Where we can meet with the again.

But dear Ruby, how we miss you From our family circle here, And our home is sad and lonely Made by your vacant chair.

We won't forget our promise

To meet you in Heaven above, Oh, help us our dear Savior To meet our darling that we love.

With your care and protection, Our meeting in heaven is sure, Oh, help us keep our promise, The victory to assure.

We want to love and serve the One Our darling loved so well, Oh, may we meet her in the sky, Our promise to fulfill.

No name.

REECE

On Dec. 24th the death angel entered the home of Mr. Arnel Reece and claimed his darling wife, Izora Reece. She was not a member of the Church of God, but received the Holy Ghost a week before her death. She was dearly loved by all who knew her. A precious one from us is gone, A voice we loved is still; A place is vacant in our home Which never can be filled.

The pearly gates were opened A gentle voice said, come, And with sad farewell unspoken She calmly entered home.

How it filled our hearts with sadness To look upon her silent form; But we hope to meet in gladness On that bright and cloudless morn.

Izora you have gone and left us, And your dear smiles we see no more, Our hearts are filled with sadness For no time can heal the sore.

Just a little while to stay here, Just a little while to wait, Just a little more of trouble Then we will meet you at the gate. One who loved her, Dallis Rich Marietta, Ga., Route 1.

WINSETT

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, from henceforth yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours, and their works do follow after them." Rev. 14:13.

On Dec. 28th, 1927 at 12:45 Mrs. Birdie Winsett (wife of R. E. Winsett) fell asleep in the arms of Jesus, after about eleven months illness with cancer of the stomach.

She died a victorious death, faithfully trusting God to heal her unto the end. She talked beautifully during her last days and especially on the last day. One of her wishes was that a message go forth from her to the lost, warning them to get right with God and be filled with His Spirit and be obedient and faithful, overcome unto the end, that they may be ready to meet Jesus when He comes.

We wish to thank the saints all over the U. S. A., Canada and England who so tenderly and earnestly prayed God to heal her, but for some reason God saw it best to take her. His will be done, not ours. She was a great help and comfort to her family and in the branch of work to which God called me. We shall greatly miss her.

Pray for me and my children that God may draw us closer to Him and that we may be more faithful and do more for Him in the future. Yours in Jesus.—R. E. Winsett, Chattanooga, Tenn.

GILMORE

The death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister J. R. Gilmore and took away their fourteen year old son Arthur. We loved him, but the Lord loved him best. He was sick twelve days with pneumonia. We did all for him that loving hands could do. He asked us to pray for him and we did. He prayed, thanked the Lord and sang three good songs and passed away Dec. 7 1927 We believe he has gone to rest.

Brother W. E. Turnage, preacher, his funeral and he was laid to rest at the Elizabeth church. He leaves father, mother, three brothers, two sisters and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his death. Pray for us to meet him some day on yonder shining shore.—Your brother and sister in Christ.

ROBERTS

On Jan. 8, 1928 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roberts and called their darling baby Bertha Jilline from this world to be with Jesus in heaven. She was born Oct. 1, 1927 and was just a bud plucked from this earth to bloom in heaven. While the dear saints were praying for her, the death angel called her away.

She leaves to mourn her death a father, mother, two sisters and three brothers. Her body was laid to rest in the Grasshopper Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.—A friend, Miss Stella Hixson.

STILLMAN

The death angel visited the home of Mrs. Delah Stillman and claimed for its victim, her husband, Mr. John Stillman. He was born in N. C. April 26, 1845 and passed away 9:40 p. m. Nov. 27, 1927. He was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and a member of the great Church of God. We all hope to meet him some day. The funeral service was conducted at his home by our pastor, Brother G. M. Green. The body was laid to rest in the Haleys Grove Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus. Gone but not forgotten.

To that home beyond the sky, And we all hope to meet him

In the sweet by and by.—Mrs. Marie Week, Crab Orchard, Tenn. NEIGHBORS

On Dec. 22, 1927 about three o'clock in the morning, the death angel came to the home of B. I. Neighbors of Roanoke and on his departure took Brother Neighbors' wife and our beloved sister in the Church, Lacy Neighbors. She was loyal to the end and stood four square for the Church.

The funeral was conducted at the home by Rev. D. C. Niswander and the body was laid to rest at Salem to await the morning of the resurrection. Her stay was short with us.

But her voice yet lingers still; The place is vacant in the Church That never can be filled.

She needed no extra stimulants She had paid her fare, the train was there And she has gone to that mansion above.

The world did not value her enough, So God has called her home; And now she is in the heavenly choir, Around the great white throne.

We know you have left us, precious sister, For the land of joy and peace, But we know that we can meet you When the toils of life have ceased.—A sister in the faith, Minnie E. Arthur, Roanoke, Va.

NOBLET

A dear old friend of ours has gone home, Mr. John Noblet was born in Towns County, Ga. June 8, 1859. He was sixty-eight years, six months and nine days old when he met death near Crandall Crossing on the railroad at Fairly the 17th of Dec. 1927. He was hit by an engine and cab and was killed instantly. His body was laid in Calvary Cemetery. Brother S. L. Cantrell conducted the funeral service. Brother Noblet was a good man. I always liked to hear him testify and they always had a good meeting when he was present. He was a member of the Church of God near Ranger and has been in my father's home many times. I have often read the Evangel for him and when I would read a good testimony he would get so happy. I am sure he had the baptism of the Holy Ghost. He has gone to a better world where no sorrow or disappointments come. I feel like if he has failed then there is no use for any of us to try. I would like to have the kind of an experience that this dear old friend had. He is safe in the beautiful Heaven.—A friend, Nellie Shope.

BROSWELL

On Nov. 15, 1927 the death angel called for our dear father, Mr. W. H. Broswell, and carried him home to be with Jesus. On the 27th of December he would have been seventy-six years of age.

He was sick only a few days. All was done for him that loving hands could do, but Jesus called him home. The one we loved so well is gone, but I expect to meet him in heaven for I believe he will be there. He was saved and lived a good life. I talked with him many times and he would tell me that he was ready to go any time.

He is survived by his wife, six daughters, three sons, thirty-eight grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren. Funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Brother Corver at the Methodist Church and his body laid to rest in the Lowell Cemetery to await the resurrection.—One who loved him dearly, his daughter, Mrs. Ida Hope, McAdenville, N. C.

WRICE

The death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Wrice and claimed their darling baby, Nana Marie. She was seven months and thirteen days of age. All was done that loving hands could do.

She leaves to mourn her death a mother, father, four brothers, three sisters and a host of relatives and friends. She was loved by all who knew her and will be greatly missed in the home, but God who loved her best took little Nana Marie home to rest.

The funeral service was conducted by Brother Bryant and her little body was laid to rest in the Black Oak Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.—One who loved her, Edna Vickers, Sparta, Tenn.

Little Marie has gone to rest To dwell with God forever blest. Her infant tongue will always raise A Savior's love, redeeming grace.

Far from a world of sin and strife, She now enjoys a heavenly life. She joins to shout and praise and sing, And make the heavenly arches ring.

O happy state! O joyful place! To view a Savior's smiling face And join with the redeemed above Where all is perfect joy and love.

Could we but hear her little tongue So sweetly ring the heavenly song; Could we but see her smiling face Delighted with the happy place.

We could not wish her back again But say, "Dear babe, with God remain, I'll try to gain that peaceful shore, Where those who meet shall part no more."

Now let us strive the prize to gain;

Happiness to Have a Home of Prayer

TROY, Tenn.—I want to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel to God for saving, sanctifying and giving me the Holy Ghost. I thank the dear Lord for sending Brother W. G. Webb here. We had a wonderful meeting. I was a church member for three years before I got the Holy Ghost. I had stomach trouble for eleven years and had tried doctors most everywhere in reach, even went to Memphis to a stomach specialist. I tried all and none cured me. Now I want to say since I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, I have not taken a dose of medicine and my stomach does not bother me, can eat anything I want. I sent a handkerchief to Brother Rouse and give God all the praise.

I am glad I ever found this way. It is food to my soul; it is joy and peace. It is happiness to have a praying home. My husband is saved and I want the prayers of all the saints that he will get the Holy Ghost. Pray that I will stay humble at the feet of Jesus and forever do His precious will. I want to get stronger in the Lord and do more for Him in the future than I have in the past. There are only a few of us at Groves Chapel but I pray that this little place will build up and do something this year for the Lord. I love the church and want to see her on fire for God.—Mrs. Deller Davis.

Let's come to Christ, with Him remain, Then when death comes, with joy we'll go And bid farewell to grief and woe.

While we have breath, let's watch and pray, With meekness march the heavenly way, Then we shall share in Jesus' love And meet the little babe.—One who loved her, Mrs. Jimmie Vickers.

CALLAWAY

On Nov. 17th the death angel visited our home and called our dear husband and father to take up his abode with Jesus. We miss him; his love and devotion to his family was second only to the love he had for his God, whom he served with unswerving loyalty unto the end.

Though we loved him so much and mourn with the thought of his absence, we can but rejoice in knowing that he has made the journey which he so eagerly looked forward to and is now dwelling with the angels, just awaiting his loved ones with whom he can spend eternity in the land where there is no parting.

Dear husband and father we miss you, Our home is so silent and still; Tho in Jesus we know you are sleeping For in life you had done as He willed.

Oh father your place is so vacant, Our fireside is not as before, You left us to join other loved ones Who dwell on that beautiful shore. When you left us, oh loved one, for heaven, Your body we placed 'neath the sod But your soul went on its great journey To dwell with the eternal God.

You wanted so much to see Jesus, To dwell in the city of gold, And bask in the sunlight of eternal glory, In the land where we never grow old.

When our evening of life here is ended, And we enter the long still night, May we lay down our burdens as you did and say, "I'm ready, I've fought a good fight."

Mrs. Thomas J. Callaway and children.

WHAT JOY TO LIVE FOR JESUS

STATESVILLE, N. C.—I want to praise the Lord for salvation. I praise Him for what He is to our home. What joy it is to live for the Savior and trust His holy Word. How much difference it is in a home where they serve Christ and where they do not. When hard trials come, if you have Christ with you, everything goes on nicely. You can bear your persecutions with patience and just say, "Praise God." You can have joy and peace within and can call upon Him in the time of need, and you will get an answer if you have faith and believe. I ask the prayers of all Christian people that the Lord will ever keep me under the hollow of His hand, that I might ever do His will, also pray that my husband might do just what God would have Him do. We know without God we can do nothing, but if God be with us we can do many things. Pray much for us.—Mrs. C. L. Snow.

LET'S PRAY MORE AND TALK LESS

GRAYSVILLE, Tenn.—I thank God because I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and a member of the great Church of God. I thank God because He has healed my body many times.

I thank God for the Church of God, the Lamb's Bride. "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the Church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." Acts 20:28.

"Take heed unto thyself, and them that hear thee." 1 Tim. 4:16.

"Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind." 1 Peter 5:2.

"And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues." 1 Cor. 12:28.

"In whom we have redemption thru his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace." Eph. 1:7.

"But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." 1 Peter 1:19.

"And they sang a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof; for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation." Rev. 5:9.

"How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?" Heb. 9:14.

May God help us all to live closer to Him and instead of talking about our brethren and sisters, be somewhere on our knees crying for our children and our neighbor's children. Please pray for my unsaved family and that God will give me more faith to stand the test and be a worker in His vineyard, also pray for the church at Graysville, Tenn. and for our pastor.—Alice Thomas.

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